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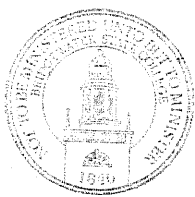
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Bridgewater, MA

Going Up! Regents OK 7.7% tuition increase

By Bryon Hayes
Comment staff

The Board of Regents of Higher Education met and approved a tuition hike, Tuesday, that would raise tuition at state colleges and universities in Massachusetts by approximately \$100. This cost averages out to a 7.7% increase to the current rates. The motion was approved, despite the verbal protests of numerous state college students.

The students in protest, from the University of Massachusetts and Southeastern Massachusetts University, stated that the tuition hike was unjust, citing that dormitory costs and student fees have skyrocketed during the past year. They were criticized by another group of students, however, from the University of Lowell. The group from Lowell asked for an even sharper increase in the tuition hike. They were asking for a 29.9% raise in the tuition.

The editor of Lowell's newspaper stated that the college was facing a \$4 million shortfall, and that "we need that money badly, and are willing to pick up the slack." The shortfall is posing a threat to the accreditation in many of the college's programs.

The Regents Chairman Paul Tsongas, a supporter of the hike, stated that he was proud to see the students fighting to keep the quality of their school up to a set level. Last month, a sub-committee of the regents voted down a proposed Lowell tuition increase. At this meeting, the Board said that they would meet with school administrators and officials before the semester ends to discuss the topic further.

Numerous student organizations that had originally supported the Regents in their decision to initiate the 7.7 increase withdrew their support, stating that the officials

had no commitment to lower the fees at state colleges and universities. The Director of the State Students Association of Massachusetts Joseph Langis stated that he "thought it (the amount of the new tuition hike) was an awful lot to pay."

The 7.7% increase is part of the Regent's plan to bring tuition to 30% of actual college and university costs. This was according to Franklyn Jenifer, Chancellor of Higher Education. "This increase is part of a policy that is looking down the road, in our attempt to link tuition and costs." He stated that this small increase moves them closer to this goal.

Last year, the Board of Regents approved an 8.3% increase. This year, one member of the Board voted against the hike, stating that the increase was too low, and that it should be "closer to 15% to 18%."



Award recipients: (L-R) Minh Vu, Brian Jones, Patricia Taylor, Cathie Karl, Patricia Comeau, Teresa Spencer, Winnie McGarry and Paul Duffy. (Staff photo by Ronda Davis.)

A respectful end to a winning year

By Ronda Davis
Comment staff

On Wednesday, May 8, Bridgewater held the annual athletic awards banquet. Student athletes, coaches and staff members were in attendance. At 6:30 Athletic Director Cecilia DeMarco welcomed everyone and introduced Reverend Doug Williamson who gave the invocation. Following the invocation a generous turkey dinner was served. Acting

president, Dr. Adrian Rondileau, who was scheduled to speak before invocation, spoke during dinner. After dinner DeMarco introduced the Associate director of Athletics Bo Ruggiero. Ruggiero gave out the award for Academic Achievement, and the Varsity team captains recognition. This year there were 40 Varsity captains and 12 Dean's list athletes recognized for their accomplishments.

Sue Crosby, the director of intramural and club sports was

the next presenter introduced. Crosby handed out the plaques and a BSC watch to each of the 21 Four Year Senior Varsity Letter winners.

Martha Jones, acting vice president of student services, then presented the final set of awards. The first award presented by Jones was Athletic Trainer of the Year. Senior Patricia Taylor who has been accepted to Old Dominion after graduation, was the recipient.

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Rothberg announces first item on agenda

By Bryon Hayes
Comment staff

Student Government Association President-elect Michael Rothberg is faced with an important decision, and he is looking to the students of Bridgewater State College for their input. "I want the students to be informed," and

Rothberg believes the only way this can be done to to hear what the students have to say.

Rothberg's decision involves the furtherance of the case concerning the \$125 deficit assessment fee. Earlier this month, students passed a referendum question on the SGA ballot, which asked students if they supported the SGA taking "further

legal actions to recover the \$125 fee by filing for a breach of contract ruling under a contingency fee arrangement." This passed by a two-to-one margin, 763 to 363.

In February, the SGA and numerous students took the BSC Board of Trustees to court to attempt to regain their monies from

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BSC student Laurie Ashley, of Freetown, will compete next month for the title of Miss Massachusetts. (Photo courtesy of Laurie Ashley.)

BSC student making bid for Miss Massachusetts

By John Burns
Comment staff

The Miss America pageant is recognized as the single largest source of scholarship funding for women in the United States, and Laurie Ashley, 21, of Freetown, Mass., is in the running for a piece of that funding.

Ashley, a junior, Elementary Education major at BSC, was crowned "Miss Freetown" earlier this year, receiving \$900 in scholarship for that title. She will compete June 9 and 10 for "Miss Massachusetts" at New Bedford's Zeiterion Theatre. If successful, she will take home another, larger scholarship, and the opportunity to attend the Miss America competition in Atlantic City, N.J., this fall.

As an official preliminary for Miss America, the Miss Massachusetts pageant follows the same format as the national contest, including evening-gown, swimsuit, interview and talent categories.

For the talent contest, Ashley, a singer, will be performing

"Ease on Down the Road," from the musical "The Wiz." She says she chose this number because it "feels real jazzy," and she wanted to "something with snap." Also, she has utilized her resource here at Bridgewater, and her costume for this number will be designed and made by Heidi K. Eklund, a sophomore Theater major, who has done extensive costuming work for Ensemble Theatre.

A 1986 graduate of Apponequot Regional High School, Ashley is the oldest of four children, a member Of Choral Society and Chamber Singers, and a Sigma Chi Little Sister.

She is engaged to her boyfriend of nearly a year, having asked him, last October to marry her.

In addition to working week-ends at the Henhouse restaurant in Acushnet, she substitute teaches whenever possible. She describes teaching as "a ball," and says she "can't wait to have kids of her own."

Asked if that meant to teach or to raise, she replied "both."

Salute to the Seniors

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The Freshman Athletes of the Year were next presented. The female recipient was Patricia Comeau. Comeau was the leading scorer for Women's soccer, a strong point guard and ball stealer in Basketball and a top member of the women's track team in five events. Minh Vu won the Men's Freshman Athlete award. Vu is a deans list athlete, and a MASCAC all conference first team player.

Teresa Spenser of the gymnastics team and Brian Jones of the football team were the recipients of the Lee Harrington "Unsung Hero" awards. Spencer is a senior who has been the highest point winner

for BSC gymnastics consistently for three years. Brian Jones is a strong linebacker for the bears football. As a co-captain Jones was instrumental in making the Bears defense #6 in Div III nationally.

Cathie Carl and Paul Duffy won the athletes of the year honors. Carl was the captain of the volleyball team and is co-captain of the NCAA tournament bound softball team. Carl is a standout volleyball player in all aspects of the game, and presently Carl has a .422 batting average and 34 RBI's.

Paul Duffy, a senior, also received a letter for four years of BSC athletics. Duffy is also a tri-captain for the baseball team. Duffy is a pitcher for the bears, with a 6-1 and 3.12 ERA. Duffy's pitching

is an instrumental part of the team's winning season this season.

The Scholar Athletes of the year were Winnie McGarry, and David Enos. Unfortunately, Enos was not present to receive his award. McGarry, with a three year GPA of 3.9 was present. McGarry played both basketball and softball this year. By the end of her first season McGarry was a starter on the basketball team. McGarry is also presently the best hitter on the softball team with a .451 batting average, two home runs and 35 RBI's. McGarry achievements were tremendously applauded by all in attendance.

Finally Cecilia DeMarco closed the event with wrap-ups of all the varsity sports.

Trustees seeking input on inauguration

When Dr. Adrian Tinsley is inaugurated, next October, as the 10th President of Bridgewater State College, the Board of Trustees would like to involve as many people from the college community as possible.

The question currently to be decided is whether the ceremonies should be held on a Sunday, (Oct.

15), or Monday, (Oct. 16).

The feeling at last night's meeting was that Monday would probably insure more people being on campus, but it would also mean the cancellation of some or all classes and laboratory sections.

The faculty will be discussing their feelings on the matter at their union meeting, this week, but the

Trustees would also like the input of the student body.

At the suggestion of SGA President Michael Rothberg, the board has requested anyone having thoughts on the subject, one way or the other, to contact the Trustees office, in Boyden Hall at 697-1200, ext. 1307.

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By the Way ...

Breakfast discussion group to be held

The Christian Fellowship of Bridgewater State College invites all members of the faculty, staff, and administration of the college community to a breakfast discussion group on Wednesday, May 17 at 8 a.m. in the Bridgewater Dining Room. A full breakfast buffet will be provided compliments of the Christian Fellowship, the organization which supports the Protestant chaplaincy at the college.

Dr. Douglas Williamson, Protestant Chaplain on campus, will begin the discussion time by reviewing several of the chapters of the controversial book *Living in Sin? A Bishop Rethinks Human Sexuality*, written by Rev. John Shelby Spong, Episcopal Bishop of the Diocese of Newark, New Jersey. "Should the church welcome sexually active single adults? Should the widowed be allowed to form intimate relationships without remarrying? Should congregations publicly and liturgically witness and affirm divorces?" These questions, posed on the dust jacket of Spong's book, are addressed with candor by the bishop. Williamson will provide a brief overview of Spong's thoughts on these and other questions related to human sexuality (including the question of whether religious communities should consecrate "betrothals" as forms of trial marriages), and then open the forum for discussion by those in attendance.

The Christian Fellowship welcomes all staff, administrators, and faculty as their guests at breakfast, but respectfully request that reservations be made no later than 3 p.m. on Monday, May 15, in order to provide the food service with an accurate count. Reservations may be made by calling Williamson at his office, 697-1344, or at his home, 697-7918.

Trip to see 'Field of Dreams' scheduled

On Sunday, May 14, the Christian Fellowship of Bridgewater State College will be going to see the movie "Field of Dreams" at the General Cinemas at Westgate Mall in Brockton. All students at the college are invited to join the group and to come back after the film to the home of Protestant Chaplain Doug Williamson for ice cream, cookies, coffee, and maybe even informal discussion of the movie.

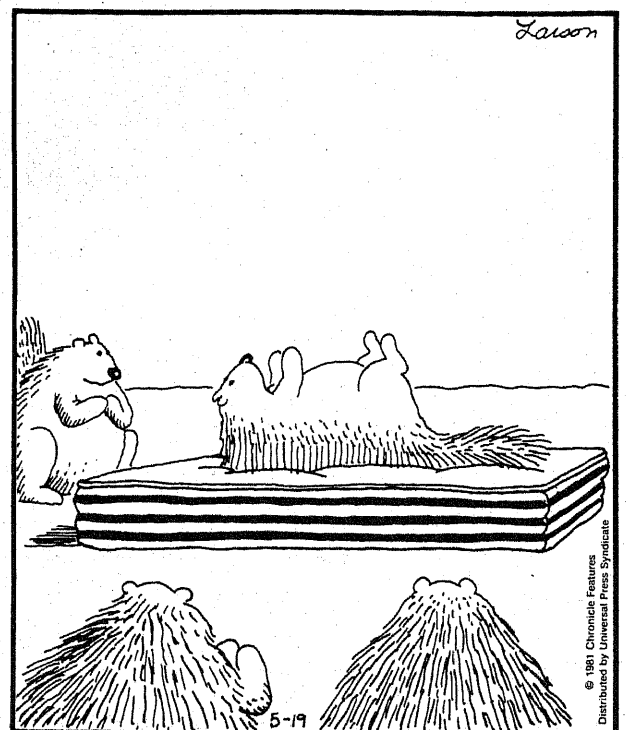
The group will meet at Williamson's (29 Shaw Road) at 6:45 p.m. and should return by 9:45 p.m. Transportation and tickets will be provided, all for the cost of \$1 per person. The group asks that anyone wishing to go please call Dr. Williamson on or before Saturday, May 13 in order for him to purchase tickets.

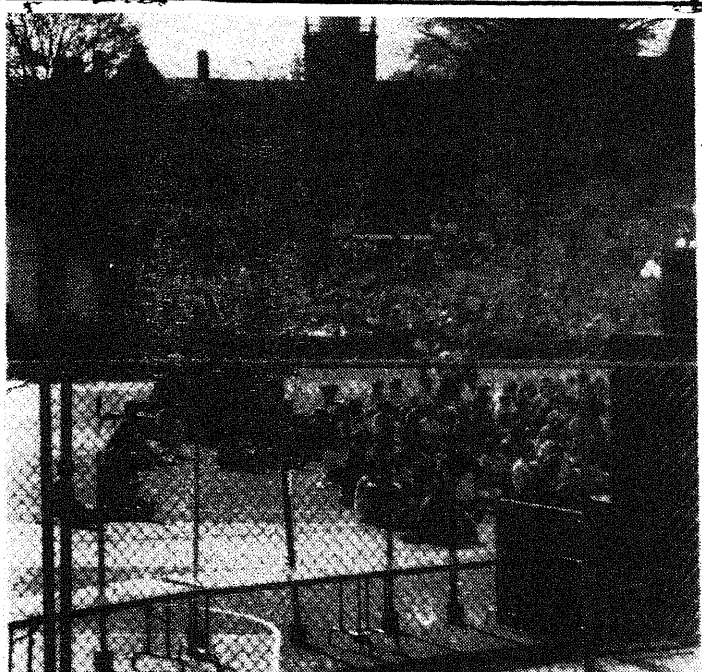
Thought for the Week

"We lay letters aside, never to read them again, and at last we destroy them out of discretion, and so disappears the most beautiful, the most immediate breath of life, irrevocably for ourselves and others."

THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON





Hundreds of people turned out to hear 'Til Tuesday perform behind the Campus Center last Thursday. See Story page 7. (Staff Photo by Michael Abusheery)

Sigma Pi fraternity initiated

On April 15, the Bridgewater State Colony of Sigma Pi became an official chapter of the international fraternity.

During the morning and early afternoon of the fifteenth, forty-two men were present to be initiated as Brothers into Sigma Pi Fraternity. The colony became the Eta-Eta chapter.

Also installed were the new officers of the Eta-Eta Chapter. Among these Brothers were Scott Murray-Sage, President; Robert Gardner, First Council, Sergeant of Arms; Christopher Concheri, Second Council,

Vice President; Eric Frost, Third Council, Treasurer; Anthony Regan, Ninth Council, Secretary; and Mike Ruggieri, Herald.

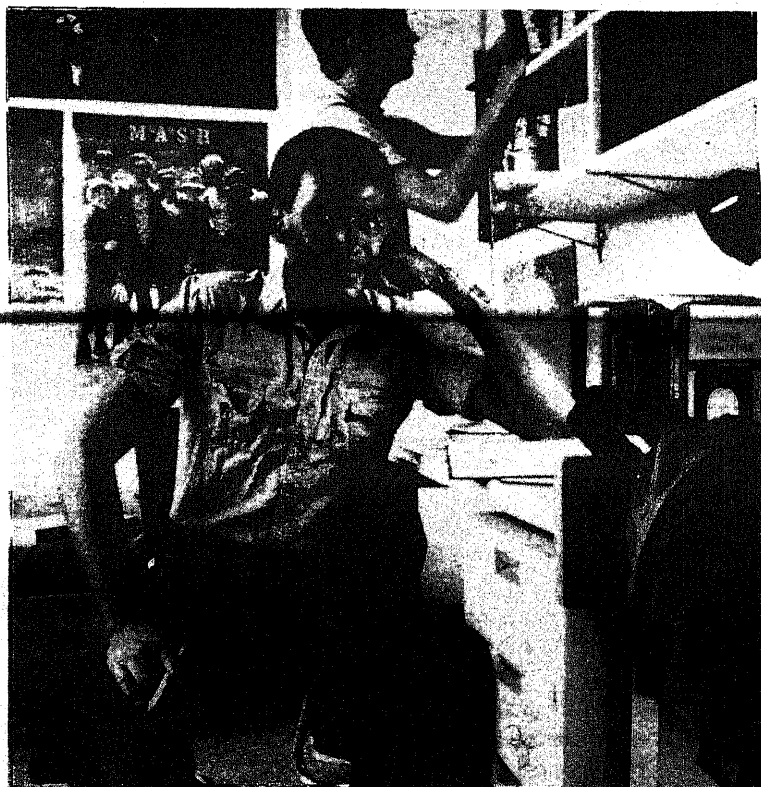
On hand to perform the initiatory ritual were the Sigma Pi Grand Sage Greg Evans and Grand Fourth Council Mark Metz, and three other distinguished members.

That evening the members of the fraternity and their escorts attended their second annual Sigma Pi Orchard Ball at the Taunton Regency Ball Room. The participants enjoyed fine food and drink and heard from

prominent figures of Sigma Pi Chapters and Alumni Clubs.

As well as hearing from members of the Eta-Eta Chapter, members were awarded with honors given to each of the four pledge classes. Most dedicated: Cosimo Delia; Brian Bonney; Ed Zevesque; Tom Ross. Outstanding: Joseph Silvera; Scott McKay; and Jonathan Sikes. Unsung: Wayne LaBonte; Mike Ruggieri; Joseph Khirallah; Roger Kazcic. Executive Council Award: Scott Moulton. Brother of the Year: Christopher Concheri.

"HOW I MADE \$18,000 FOR COLLEGE BY WORKING WEEKENDS."



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So, since I'm helping them do such an important job, they're helping me make it through school.

As soon as I finished Advanced Training, the Guard gave me a cash bonus of \$2,000. I'm also getting another \$5,000 for tuition and books, thanks to the New GI Bill.

Not to mention my monthly Army Guard paychecks. They'll add up to more than \$11,000 over the six years I'm in the Guard.

And if I take out a college loan, the Guard will help me pay it back — up to \$1,500 a year, plus interest.

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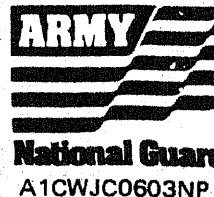
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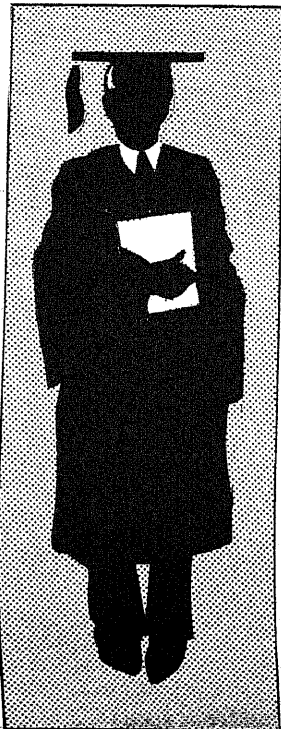
Congratulations to the Class of 1989

Soon, a familiar song will be played, while members of the graduating class make the procession around campus and finally end up on the quadrangle in front of Boyden Hall. For many, the Commencement exercises, May 27, will be the last time they lay eyes on the familiar sights of Bridgewater State College.

The graduating Class of 1989 will be faced with many hardships. But, from what the college has seen of this group of individuals, they appear to be more than ready to survive any and all of the challenges which will come before them. Like any other people who have attended a college, the Class of 1989 has made a set of life-long friends; best friends. Those people who have shared the happy times and the hard times, the laughter and the tears. It is true that the group of friends you make in college will be the ones you remember and count on throughout the rest of your life. Just remember one important point: do not forget these people or lose track of them. Friendships can strain easily, even the strongest ones. Hold on to your friends. They are the part of college that made the experience great.

So, here's to the members of the graduating Class of 1989. May they all reach their goals and find happiness in whatever they do. Now it's time to face "the real world," and you are all more than ready to accept this challenge.

The Comment wishes you all the Best of Luck.



Are BSC students 'pawns in the middle of political games'?

To the Editor:

In September of 1987, I transferred from University of Massachusetts, Amherst, to Bridgewater State College. Before transferring I was told that I would not have any problem with the acceptance of courses, since both UMass and Bridgewater are state schools. At UMass, I was on a management degree track, and at Bridgewater I was enrolled into the Management Science Department. With at least five courses, Dwight Cook at the Admissions Department gave me a hassle. I began to feel they just wanted me to be at Bridgewater for an additional semester, so they would have one more paying student.

Realizing that some schools have different requirements, I gave up for the moment. However, I later learned that my Cal II course at UMass was not counted as the requirement for my Management Science Degree here at Bridgewater. Speaking to Professor Scalisi (Mathematics Department Head), I was told that there were two different courses. I then spoke to Professor Shepard (Management Science Department Head), hoping that he could do something. I felt someone who teaches summer classes at UMass would understand that the two courses were the same. He told me he would not overrule the Math Department's decision.

Personally, I felt politics played a role in his decision. He must have needed a positive vote by the Math Department for a course change in his department's curriculum. Therefore, I was the pawn (maybe not the only one this semester), in the middle of the political game of chess here at Bridgewater State College.

In April, 1988, still unsatisfied with the Math and the Management Science Department's decisions, I looked to the Assistant Dean of Students (Dr. Madry-Taylor), for an unbiased opinion and ruling. I went through the procedure of handwriting my problem and submitting to Dr. Madry-Taylor. A week later I received a five minute meeting with her to discuss the problem. She was to render a decision after speaking to the Math Department Head (Professor Scalisi), some unbiased opinion. I also later

heard that she was up for a promotion (presently she is not Acting Vice-President of Academic Affairs). I wonder if she needed the support of any of the faculty and felt a decision which overruled her colleagues could jeopardize this promotion. It is now May 2, 1989, and I've yet to receive official notification either way of the decision.

I got tired of speaking to Dr. Madry-Taylor's secretary about the problem and enrolled in the Cal II course for the spring of 1989. I said to myself, maybe they are right, maybe this Cal II course is different. However, something inside of me told me different. It could have been the fact that I received a "B-" in Quantative Methods, a class which is based on the principles of Cal II.

Anyway, there I was retaking a course, which when I took it at UMass I received a "B". Although this extra class forced me to take 6 classes this semester (7 last semester because of the Admissions Office), I didn't think it would be difficult. Presently, I have a "84" average. Throughout the course I haven't had to try very hard because the class is in fact the same course I took at UMass. Of course there are minor differences, but with every semester, or a different professor you are going to get some little changes.

Personally, I am really disappointed with Bridgewater State College. Politics have become the number one issue. Just the other day, I overheard two administrators saying "Those damn students, why do they cause so much trouble". This was just after one of the rallies to protest the \$125. fee. Students are what Bridgewater State College is all about. Without students, no one would have a job.

I hope in the future, situations like mine will not happen again. Professors and administrators must think of the student's interest before their own political ambitions. In reality are we your bosses. We are the ones who pay your salary with our tuition bills and our tax bills. We, therefore, should be your number one concern.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary M. Kaufman

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Letters & Columns

The disease called hypocrisy is an existing threat

To the Editor:

In my three and one years at BSC nothing has disturbed me more than the hypocrisy that surrounds this institution. Coming from another state, it was more visible to me, but up here it seems to be more of a hidden nature in certain individuals, that creeps up behind you unknowingly. Now don't get me wrong, I'm not bad mouthing this institution, nor the students or faculty members that make up this institution; I'm just a person stating his opinion (as I know it and as I've seen it around campus).

At first I thought I could, in some way, help these unknowing victims by getting in-

involved in many organizations around campus and somehow I tried to prevent this disease from ever reaching the hearts and souls of students who are unaware of it. But like every disease, hypocrisy is fed by ignorance. The ignorance, that I'm referring to, is the ignorance shown by the administrators of student organizations, who boast and take pride in their liberalism, when in actuality they are nothing but phonies, and only see their own personal gain, rather than that of the students.

As a member of various organizations, I was unfortunate to have come across one such person. This person stressed at the

very beginning that everyone was equal and everyone would be treated fairly. I later found this to be false, for everyone was not equal or treated fairly, but there was favoritism and I'm sorry to say even *racial discrimination*.

Being a person who lived all over the United States and parts of the world, I've seen both the good and bad sides of a human being, but nothing gets to me more, than a person or persons who is a hypocrite. So I write this article to you the student, the faculty member or whatever your position is at this college to say: Your not alone and your not the only one fighting this disease.

You didn't have to sell yourself out to anyone at all or be apart of an organization when what you are is just a *token*! Stand strong because believe me this disease can and will be stopped.

So to you the student or faculty member if you happen to be apart of an organization on the campus, which is controlled by someone who strongly stresses equality and is very liberal, don't be too quick to accept this speech, because believe me the disease called hypocrisy is there.

Rebel who wouldn't sell out.

Name withheld
at writer's request

Illness claimed to be related to food service

To the Editor:

It was a normal Monday on May 1. I went to the commuter cafe at 11 a.m. and ordered my usual tuna fish on white. As I ate it I didn't realize I might see it again.

An hour later while sitting in class I started getting hot and cold flashes and began to feel awful. I went home and became very ill with stomach cramps, constant chills and a severe headache.

I have eaten tuna fish in the commuter

cafe for two years now. Today is Wednesday May 3, and I really haven't eaten yet. I can assure you I will *never* eat in the commuter cafe again.

Laura Smith
Class of 1991

Concern over budget reductions for library

To all members of the Bridgewater State College community:

As director of the Maxwell Library, I write to ask your immediate assistance in a matter of utmost importance to all libraries of public higher education in the Commonwealth, not least our own Maxwell Library.

State funding for these libraries, including our own, was \$9.25 million in 1988. This year it was reduced to \$7.5 million and next year it is proposed to cut out funding entirely.

This means that our library will be unable to purchase any new books or media materials and will be unable to continue present magazine and newspaper subscriptions.

Even in 1988, with \$9.25 million funding,

Massachusetts was 51st among states and the District of Columbia in library expenditures per college or university student, far below states usually considered much less prosperous, such as Mississippi, Arkansas and Kentucky.

What we need, far from zero funding, is an *increase* in 1990 funding to \$11 million, simply to bring us up to the *average* appropriation per student in the rest of the nation.

What can you do?

We ask that you, as a student, faculty member or other member of the college community, take a few minutes to come to our reference department. There you will find a table set up with stationery and informative material, including names and addresses of state senators, representatives and members of the Ways and Means Committee of the legislature.

Please write three brief letters, in your own words and handwriting, one each to:

Your state senator
Your state representative
The Ways and Means Committee,
asking each to help bring academic library funding in the Commonwealth as close to the \$11 million mark as possible.

Seal your letters and leave them with us. We will stamp and mail them.

They may well make the crucial difference between excellence and inferiority to our library and academic libraries throughout Massachusetts.

Sincerely yours,

Owen T.P. McGowan, Ph.D.
Director, Maxwell Library
Bridgewater State Library

A letter of appreciation from MassPIRG

Dear Student Body,

The members of Bridgewater Students for MassPIRG would like to extend our appreciation for your overwhelming support in the SGA elections. With over 1100 students participating, the largest SGA voter turnout in recent history, 69% voted in favor of re-establishing MassPIRG at Bridgewater.

We feel the numbers speak for themselves

MassPIRG belongs here, as it is also an integral part of college communities across the state. We would also like to extend our thanks to the numerous administration and faculty members whose contributions proved invaluable in our endeavor.

We are very optimistic about the future and look forward to returning to Bridgewater in the fall. With your help, we can confront many of the major problems that face

us today. MassPIRG is *back*, and we intend to make the Bridgewater community proud that it is. People working together can accomplish anything.

Again, our thanks.

Jack Coleman, President
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A few words of thanks for our Mothers

To the students of BSC:

Mother's Day is this coming weekend, specifically, Sunday, May 14. It traditionally is a time, (alright, the one day out of the year) when children pay more attention to their mothers and try to make mom's day a little less hectic by doing some of the work

she would normally do.

The one problem with Mother's Day is just that; people believe the gratitude that mothers are shown that day comes once a year, when in fact, it shouldn't. Mothers should be shown and *given* the same respect all throughout the year, and not just on the first Sunday in May. They, along with

our fathers, have done so much for their children, that we should respect them more than we do. A few "thanks" and "I love yous" will bring more happiness to them than will any ~~and~~ gift.

So, moms, we the *Comment* wish you a Happy Mother's Day and moms, we love you.

Honoring our country's symbol

To the Editor:

Something is bothering me, and I can't let it go any longer. This problem I have is with the college community and the general public of this state. This country's greatest symbol of Peace, Freedom, and Democracy is ripped and *tattered*. Each day thousands of people pass by it, and can't even give it the respect it deserves. Have we all forgotten what we learned in grade school? Do we all forget pledging allegiance to the Flag? If so let me tap a brain cell. "I pledge allegiance, to the flag, of The United States of America, and to the republic, for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all." Oh Yea I remember. We all had to recite this pledge 180 days a year for twelve years. Didn't any of it sink in.

The American flag in front of Boyden Hall is ripped and the person who puts it up doesn't even notice this crime. *This state's wonderful Governor, Michael Dukakis* can't even see to it that the flag in front of the state house is changed when it is ripped and tattered. This should burn a hole in your stomach.

In basic training with the United States Army, I was taught the true meaning of the flag. I would like to take this opportunity to enlighten you. The red stripes symbolize the blood of American soldiers lost fighting for our freedom, the white symbolizes the purity of the blood lost by our soliders, the blue is the strength and courage they showed during combat, and the stars are the states.

The American Flag means a great deal to me. Thousands of men and women have given their lives to protect this great nation. That striped sheet that flies about us is a reminder of them, and we should not allow a ripped flag to fly under any circumstances. We should make sure that a flag never flies in disgrace. This is no way to pay tribute to great Americans that gave and were willing to give their lives to keep this Great Nation Free.

Thank you,
Sgt Scott A. Moulton

SGA President Rothberg

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the fee. The Trustees won the case. However, breach of contract was not one of the charges brought up against the Trustees. This time, it is the main discrepancy.

Rothberg states that there are primarily three options which the SGA can take concerning the case. The first involves going ahead with the case, and paying for the lawyer. Said Rothberg, "it will cost money; and (the lawyer) expects case to take anywhere from three to four months up to two years."

The second option examines Rothberg attempting to reach an agreement with the Trustees and administration stating that a bill cannot be sent out after students have already received one; that is—"once students have received their tuition bill," said Rothberg, "they cannot be charged with another bill

in mid-semester" the way the last one was assessed.

Rothberg said that a third option would be "to go for a combination of the first two proposals." This would mean the case would proceed as scheduled, while the agreement would be discussed concerning the bills. He also said that if he did not get the agreement with the Trustees, then he would go ahead with the case.

One point Rothberg reminds students is that they will not get all of their money back. "They will get a large part, but the lawyer is paid a small percentage of the monies won," he said. "He is on a contingency payment plan."

Rothberg strongly emphasizes the fact that students must give him their input concerning this action. "I cannot over-emphasize the fact that students need to tell

me how they feel." He states that this action is "a big decision, a long-term action, and I don't know how the Trustees feel about what we are attempting." He mentioned that if he receives limited support, then he will have to act with the information he has available. But, he reminds the students of BSC, "we do have options."

He believes that going to the students is an crucial part of his job as a President. "Over the past years, students have not known what the SGA was doing with regard to specific issues," he said. "This is going to change and this is the beginning."

He urges students to talk to him and express their feelings, positive or negative, concerning this issue. "Many students know me and know me well. I need to hear from them," Rothberg said that he has been in constant contact with the lawyer, Robert Bush, letting him know what the SGA and the campus responses have been. Rothberg said that a decision must be made within the next week concerning what course of action will be taken.

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International

Chinese government to ease censorship

A petition was presented to the government by the journalists for China's official media on Tuesday with more than 1,000 signatures calling for a dialogue on censorship, while many students chanted to show support.

"Restrictions of every kind have presented full, objective, and fair reporting" on recent rallies by students for democratic reform is what the petition

said. Many members of the ruling Communist Party showed their displeasure on this subject. They were Chinese reporters.

The petition noted there was a significant need for propaganda officials to converse with reporters on censorship and the recent firing of the editor of China's most liberal newspaper after he refused to act upon the censor's demands.

National

Wilson sentenced to electric chair

James Wilson went on a rampage at an elementary school last fall, killing two pupils and wounded nine other people in South Carolina. The 20-year-old gunman was sentenced last Tuesday to the electric chair.

He pleaded guilty but mentally ill. He showed no expression during the trial and the sentencing by Cir-

cuit Judge James Moore. State officials said mentally ill people can be executed for the crimes they commit. However, the United States Supreme Court heard arguments Jan. 11 in a case that will decide whether states have the right to execute people so mentally impaired that they don't understand crime or punishment.

Local

Airborne gunman terrorizes Logan

A gunman, Alfred J. Hunter, III, allegedly killed his ex-wife, hijacked a small airplane at gunpoint, flew around Greater Boston firing shots from an automatic weapon and dive-bombing the control tower at Logan International Airport Tuesday night. He was captured at the airport early yesterday morning, authorities said.

Massport was forced to shut Logan down for an hour as the small Cessna

swooped and dove over the runways.

Hunter, 42, was charged with murder in the shooting death of his ex-wife, Elvira, in the presence of their 5-year-old son, Tpr. Mark Lynch, of the Mass. State Police said.

He was arraigned Wednesday, in Salem District Court, on the murder charge, and several others stemming from the three-hour flight.

Local groups assist church fire cleanup

A group of several dozen volunteers sifted carefully and resolutely through the remains of Monday's fire, at the Old South Union Church, for salvaged items and treasured remembrances from the 135 years it had been existence.

The probable cause of the fire was heat from the electrical device used to re-

move paint. The group who took on this task were a large number of children and adolescents including Boy Scouts and youth group members. The church's 124-year-old bell, was saved from the collapsed steeple. It drew many admirers all day to its temporary resting place on the church lawn.

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'Getting Out' is a well-executed drama

The Bridgewater State College Ensemble Theatre presented Marsha Norman's *Getting Out*. The show, directed by Professor Lee A. Dunne, was a well executed drama.

The story was about about women's issues, which is not a large theme on stage. Norman's screenplay is about what it is like to be a woman imprisoned and what it is like to want freedom.

Arlie (Tess L'Heureux) is a young woman who is a victim of men. Men are predators in her life. Her father was a predator, in prison the guards are predators; on the street, pimps and clients are predators as well as drug pushers. Arlie killed a man who was making advances on her, which is why she was locked up.

Arlene portrayed by Donna Schiavo, is the woman after her life in prison. She tries to make a new start. One of the guards, played by Michael J. Leonard portrays his role as admirer and friend to Arlene with great enthusiasm. He makes small advances on her and she rejects him. He was her only hope, which was destroyed when he attacked her. Her old pimp/boyfriend Carl played by

Dan Gallagher encourages Arlene to go to New York City with him and get paid again for prostitution. Not even Arlene's mother performed by Deirdre Silva has faith in her new life. Her mother predicts that Arlene will be up to trouble again in no time. No one believes her- but she has hope that the changed Arlene can make her future.

The performance on the multi-level stage was prime for the alternating action, which sometimes overlapped, between young Arlie in prison and the new Arlene.

The actors of BSC Ensemble Theatre had a great opportunity to show their talents in this play- and successfully each person created the ideal ensemble on stage. The actors let their energy flow throughout the show. In the director's note, it said that the actors talked with women in prison to get a better idea of the life Arlene had. This probably assisted in making the play as believable and as smooth as it was.

This reviewer has high hopes that the BSC Ensemble Theatre continues this hard and quality work.



Michael Hausman, Aimee Mann, and the rest of the group 'Til Tuesday appeared behind the Campus Center for BSC's annual Spring Concert on Thursday, May 4.

'Til Tuesday's concert delights BSC

By David Flannery
Comment staff

The Campus Center Program Committee last week sponsored the rock group 'Til Tuesday to play right here at Bridgewater State College. The show was enjoyed by hundreds of students who gathered around the tennis courts under the warm sun to hear the sounds of Aimee Mann and her band, as they played tunes from their past and present albums.

Students began gathering around the concert site throughout the afternoon and, around 4 p.m., the opening band, The Bus Kings, took the stage. They played some songs like the Beatles' "I Saw Her Standing There" and made some jokes to the gathering crowd of spectators in a show that lasted about 40 minutes.

Following a ten-minute break after The Bus Kings, Aimee

Mann made her way from the Campus Center onto the stage, greeted by cheers. One of the first songs that they played was one of their hits "Keeper of the Flame" and right from the start they were able to keep the crowd moving. As for the audience, it was clearly more in tune with the bands more recognizable hits.

Songs like "Coming Up Close" got plenty of cheers, as did "Love in a Vacuum" which got this outdoor crowd swaying and dancing. In addition to these well known songs, the group played music co-written by other musical figures like Elvis Costello and their favorite group called They Might Be Giants. They also played their own rendition of music by the group R.E.M.

Most of what they performed originated from their earlier albums *Voices Carry* (1985) and the newer *Everything's Different*

Now (1988). They switched randomly between the two albums, adding in songs that were not on either of those albums as well. They did all this amidst frequent broken guitar strings and feedback that Mann, herself, even alluded to at one point.

One of the last songs that they had performed before the encore was the title track off "Voices Carry" which they unexpectedly drifted into after a couple of minutes of guitar solo. This, as to be expected, was one song the crowd had come to hear. 'Til Tuesday, back in 1985, hit the top ten with that hit song.

After they left the stage, the audience called for the band's return, chanting "Aimee, Aimee..." They then returned to perform a few more popular numbers, including another one of their popular songs "What About Love."

S.T.A.N.D: a new experience in the theatre arts

An experimental theatre group titled S.T.A.N.D., an acronym for Student Theatre and Nuclear Devices will be performing an outdoor show on May 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the courtyard between the library and the Campus Center. The piece being presented is a collaboration and culmination of an entire semester's work with group theatre techniques. Some portions of the show have been developed through group improvisation and game playing, including also some excerpts from *The Legacy of Cain*, a piece developed and performed by the Living Theatre.

The group consists of Ivo Karmely, Joey Skelton, Krista Watson, Barbara DiMartino and Michael L. Booth, the groups actor/leader.

"Originally, I had planned to present a piece performed by the Living Theatre, an experimental theatre group from the middle nineteen-sixties founded by Julian Beck and Judith

Malina. Their experimental work gained notoriety in the sixties for its radical use of staging, nudity and its call for everyone to challenge of the social and political institutions. They struggled to create 'Free Theatre' theatre in which 'anything that anyone does is perfect.' However, as our group evolved, we found we had some unique and personal statements to make about the world as it is today, said Booth.

The primary focus of S.T.A.N.D. was to explore, through role playing and improvisation, the human quality we all share. "The search for common ground is where our play begins. Our hope is that the mission will not end when the play does," stated Booth.

The entire piece runs approximately 30 minutes. S.T.A.N.D. is looking forward to performing for the college community and hopes they will find the work exciting and provocative if not Out-S.T.A.N.D.-ing.

Peace Corps ranks high as employer

In a recent survey of the 100 top employers of college graduates in the country, Peace Corps ranked among the top three, only after AT&T and Electric Data Systems. This year, more than 2,000 new college graduates will be joining the ranks of the Peace Corps.

It is no coincidence that this top employer is also a proven career enhancer. Skills volunteers develop overseas are invaluable in today's labor market. According to Joe O'Donoghue, former Peace Corps volunteer, are constantly outperforming their fellow workers in terms of salary gains and up-

ward career mobility."

The opportunity Peace Corps provides for volunteers to obtain valuable managerial experience and the self-motivation that is part of their daily lives overseas are some of the factors which contribute to the Peace Corps success story.

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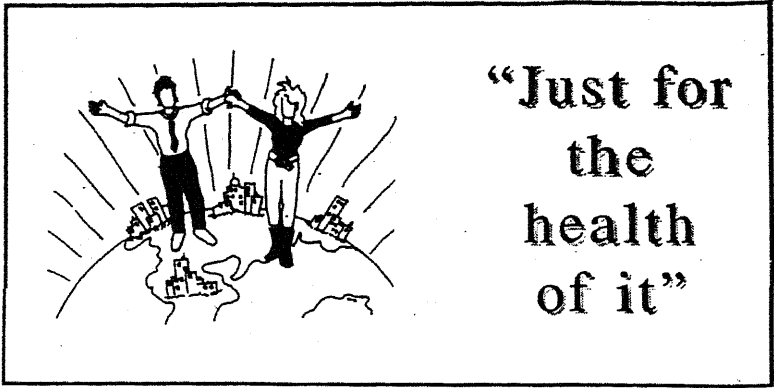
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"I think Congress is responding to Peace Corps' 27 year proven track record of success," stated Bill Strack, Area Manager of the New England Peace Corps Office.

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BLOOM COUNTY by Berke Breathed



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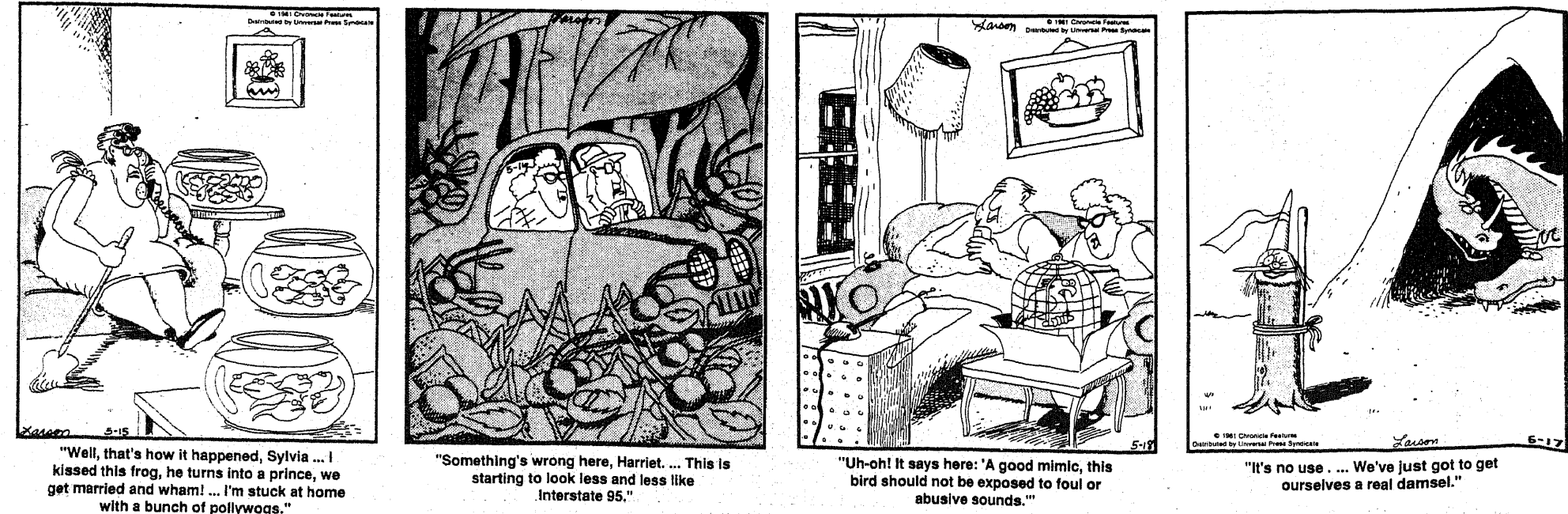
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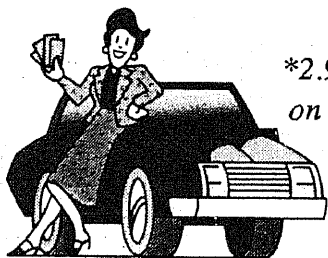
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Ticket prices for this show will be \$12, and \$10.50 for Dance Umbrella members, senior citizens, ad students with their I.D.'s.

For more information, please contact Edana Spicker at (617) 492-7578.

Film —————

The Art Extension Service of the Division of Continuing Education at the University of Massachusetts/Amherst and the Boston Film and Video Foundation will present the 14th Annual New England Film and Video Festival.

This event is sponsored by the Boston Globe and will be held from Thursday, May 18 until Saturday, May 20.

The award winning films and videos will be screened along with honorable mention recipients in four different programs at the Museum of Fine Arts on Thursday and Friday, May 18 and 19 at 7:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. They will also be shown at the Boston Film and Video Foundation on May 18 at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Films included in the show are *Steps*, the winner of the Outstanding Student Film Award, by Blair Murphy, and *Testament of the Rabbit*, winner of the Best of Festival Award and the Boston Globe's Critic's Choice Award, by Ted Lyman.

Tickets for the shows are \$6 for each night, and can only be purchased at the door. A one dollar discount will be made only to members of The Boston Video and Film Organization.

The awards screening and ceremony will be presented Saturday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m. at the Berklee Performance Center, located on 136 Massachusetts Avenue.

Tickets are \$6 (\$5 for BF/VF members only available at the door) and are available at the Berklee Performance Box Office and all Ticketmaster locations, or by calling Ticketmaster at (617) 787-8000. For general information, please call (617) 536-1540.

The Boston chapter of the National Organization of Women holds an open house the first Wednesday of every month, at 7 p.m. Learn what NOW is doing locally and nationally to work for equal rights for women. Learn about how to get involved in important issues, including abortion rights, Equal Rights Amendment, lesbian and gay rights, and economic rights for women.

Work on issues of reproductive freedom, including access to safe and legal abortion and birth control, and parenting rights. Come to Boston NOW's Reproductive Rights Task Force meeting on Tuesday, May 16 at 7 p.m.

All meetings are free and held in the Boston NOW Office at 971 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, 02215. For more information, call (617) 782-1056.

Summer Courses=

Community Service Program: The Community Service Program offers courses for personal and cultural enrichment. An imaginative range of courses will be offered this summer through the Program of Continuing Education.

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Classes are scheduled throughout the summer starting the week of May 30. Walk-in registration is May 15, 16 and 17. For further information and registration material contact the Continuing Education Office.

FREE ALCOHOL!

Now that we have your attention, we would like to remind students, clubs, and organizations that they can still turn in articles for the *Comment's* Orientation issue. Drop them by our office, located on the Main Floor of the Campus Center.

◆ Bears baseball team wins

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Nichols had two runs in the third inning, an RBI single from Mike Pellegrini and a fielder's choice by Satiun scored Pellegrini. Nichols would get one run in the seventh, but the Bears held the commanding lead and easily completed the sweep 7-3.

In the game against UMass, they got on the board first, due to a triple by Steve Piaseczynski off of Bridgewater pitcher Paul Duffy. After an error by shortstop Mike Marini, which scored Piaseczynski, Steve Coffey hit another triple to center field, bringing Steve Daley home. Peter Albano was walked, which was then followed by an RBI single from Joe Letorney. Steve Holmes eased the Bears problems by hitting into a double play to end the inning. UMass had a 4-0 lead over BSC.

The Bears could only manage

two runs off of UMass pitcher Joe McGinnity. Grueter started it off with a triple and was brought home on a fielder's choice by Enos. O'Donnell was walked, stole second, and scored on a double to left by Marini.

Scoring in the game went back and forth, with each team either tying the game or taking a one run lead. Bridgewater continued to keep it close, thanks to solo home runs by Marini and O'Donnell. UMass did the same with a three run homer from Daley, which was hit to right field. But, the game would come down to a ninth inning battle for both the Bears and UMass.

In the top of the inning, Jim Davis was walked by BSC relief pitcher Lookner. After a stolen base by Davis, who stole second, a right field single by Daley scored Davis. Daley then scored on an error by outfielder Brandon. This

made the score 14-13, with the Bears down by one going into the bottom of the inning.

Plante lead off with a double to left, followed by a single from Jim Domitrz. Hocking reached base and scored Plante with a fielder's choice single. This tied the game at 14. With two outs, Brandon stepped up to the plate and smacked a double to right, scoring the game winning run for Bridgewater. The game ended with a 15-14 score, in favor of BSC.

Currently, the Bears have yet to play North Adams State College to determine who will claim the MASCAC title. Those games have been tentatively scheduled for this weekend. The Bears must also wait until next week to see if they have received an NCAA Tournament bid. They appear to be one of the prime candidates for the tournament. The selections will not be announced until then.

Men's Rugby winds down season with 27-3 win over Springfield

The Bridgewater State College Men's Rugby team kept up its winning ways this week. The team easily crushed Springfield State College by a score of 27-3.

BSC scored early with an impressive run by Gary Pazialle, who played an excellent game scoring two more times and just running wild all over Springfield. Also first back Bill Hunt had many key passes setting up Paz all game.

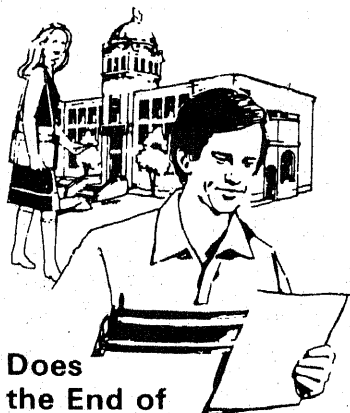
The scrum was powered by veteran player Al Hebb who also scored multiple times and seemed to have possession of the ball more than the entire Springfield team. Dan Coady's kicking was as usual very accurate, drilling extra kicks and field goals.

The scrum was also powered by Dave Colby who mastered the position of eighth man, even scoring from his position. Co-captains Petrillo, and Colar kept Springfield off course with hard hitting throughout the game.

Also playing well was Charlie Doherty, Buka Bill, and Travis J. Justice and Jeff Sutherland simply owning the line outs all game. Springfield was held to one kick only scoring three points.

The Visagoths have not lost a home game in over a year and continue to be the college's winning team. They defended their home field record yesterday in their final game against Curry State College.

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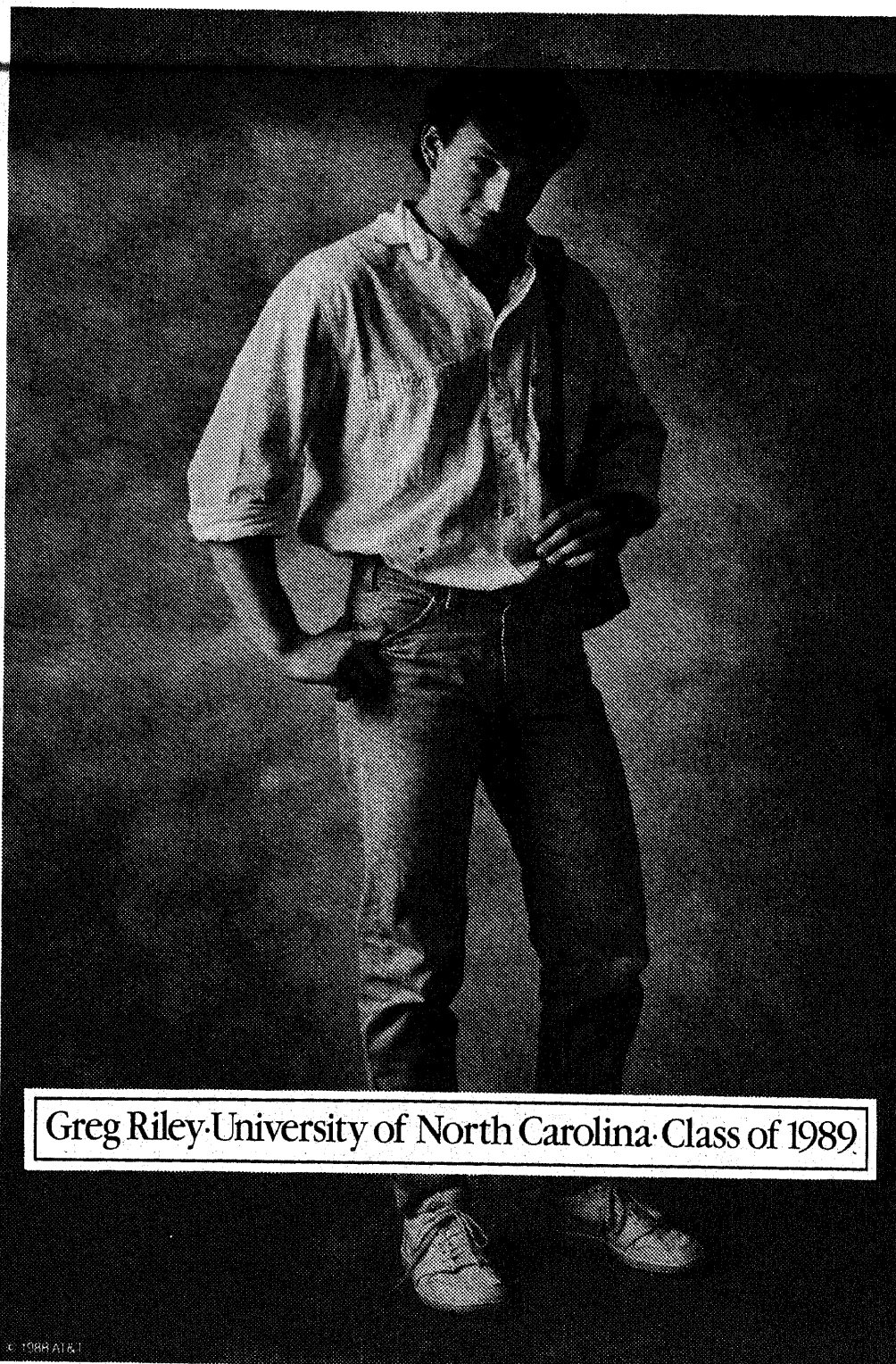
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BRIDGEWATER STATE ATHLETICS

Lady Bears head off to NCAA's

Softball team to face Brockport, Eastern Connecticut in opening round

By Ronda Davis
Comment staff

The Lady Bears Softball team received the long awaited news from NCAA Officials on Monday. The Softball team received their invitation to the NCAA Division III tournament. The tournament will take place on Friday, May 12 at 11 a.m. The three schools involved in round one are Eastern Connecticut State, Brockport State, and Bridgewater.

Three games will be played, and it will require double elimination. The first game will be Brockport verses Bridgewater, the number one and two seeds, at 3 p.m. At 5:30 p.m. the loser of the first game faces Eastern Connecticut (number 3 seed). The final game of the first round will feature Eastern Connecticut verses the winner of the first game, at 8 p.m.

Brockport has the best record of the three at 19-3. They beat Cortland State to clinch their conference. Their three losses have come from Ithaca, Conisus, and St. John Fisher.

Among Brockport's top players, Shelly Strack and Dee Clinton are their top hitters. Strack is a senior with a .385 batting average. Strack has 23 RBIs and currently holds 18 of the schools records. Clinton is a junior, first baseman, with a .333 batting average.

The top members of the pitching

staff include Erin Merritt and Patty Seubert, both are right handers. Merritt is a junior with a 13-0 record, an ERA of 1.31 and 35 strike outs. Seubert is a sophomore with 6-3 record and 2.16 ERA.

Bridgewater has faced Eastern Connecticut twice this year. The

two teams split a double header early in the season. Bridgewater's assistant coach Deb Carreiro feels that Eastern Connecticut was one of the only teams that really challenged BSC.

Bridgewater's top two batters, after this weeks wins over North

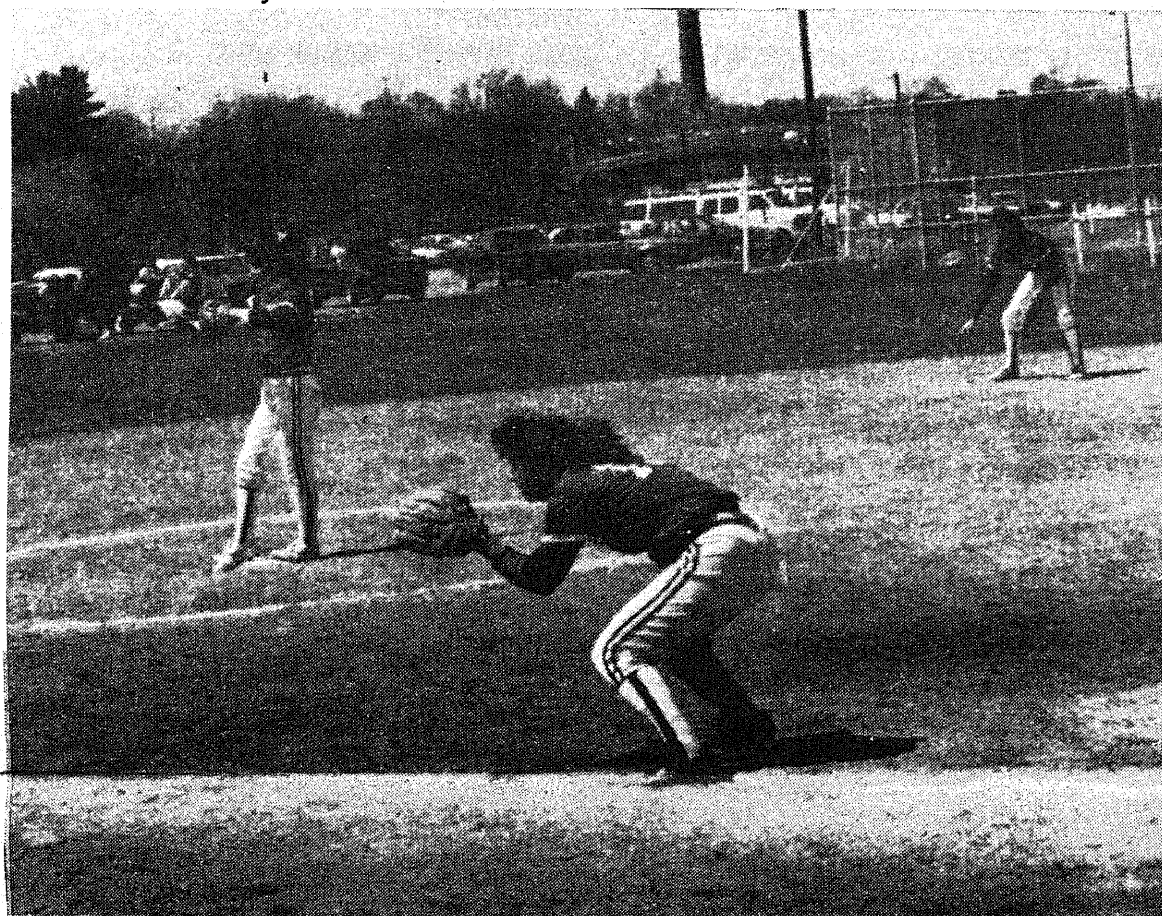
Adams State, are Winnie McGarry and Betty Brown. McGarry has .451 batting average and 35 RBI's, while Brown has a .434 batting average and 31 RBI's. Co-captain Cathie Carl adds to the power hitters with a .422 batting average and 34 RBI's.

Bridgewater's pitchers are also formidable opponents. Starter Judy Reid has a 13-2 record and one no hitter this season. Reid currently has a 1.47 ERA and 26 strike outs. Pitcher Stephanie Ponte has 20 strike outs and a 1.75 ERA.

Another BSC pitcher showed her ability with a shut out in the second game against North Adams State. Freshman Keri Conley had four strike outs and pitched the entire game, helping to lead the Bears to an 18-0 victory. These two wins over North Adams pushed the Lady Bears record to 25-6.

The first game of the double header was pitched by both Reid and Ponte, but the win was credited to Reid, who pitched the first four innings. One highlight of this first game was that the team had four double plays. The final score was 7-2. These seven runs were spread over the first five innings. Three of these came in the third inning.

In the second game, North Adams could not contain the Lady Bears, who were now warmed up. The Bear's bats came out in the fourth and fifth innings, with five and seven runs, respectively. After adding six more runs, the Bears won the game 18-0, completing the sweep of the series. There was only one double play in this game.



The Bridgewater State College Lady Bears Softball team are headed to the NCAA Tournament this weekend. By combining strong hitting with pitching, they hope to go far. Here, pitcher Judy Reid is shown in action. (Staff photo by Bryon Hayes.)

Men's Baseball team sweeps a weak Nichols College

By Bryon Hayes
Comment staff

Bridgewater State College sports teams are gearing up for post-season play. The Women's Softball team is NCAA bound, and the BSC Men's Baseball team moves ever closer to their goal of making their NCAA tournament playoff spot. The Bears defeated Nichols College in two games, by scores of 14-5 and 7-3. Earlier, they had squeaked by UMass on Thursday, May 4 by a score of 15-14.

With these three win, the Bears boosted their record to 23-4. The Bears also have a 12 game winning streak. Bridgewater has have not lost a game since losing to Worcester State on April 16.

The Bears began their onslaught against in the third inning of the first game with a walk to Ed Grueter, off of Nichols pitcher Tom Steams. Darren Brandon then hit a double to left, moving Grueter to third. A Dave Enos single made the score 1-0 in favor of BSC. Next, league batting leader Mike O'Donnell was hit by a pitch, moving him to first. Jim Doherty hit a fielder's choice to

the first baseman, but reached base when Nichols could no convert the double play. Shortstop Mike Marini then doubled, scoring two runs to put the Bears up by a four run margin.

During the fourth inning, the Bears exploded for seven runs, beginning with a Mike Hocking double, followed by a pair of back to back singles from Grueter and Brandon. Brandon's single scored Hocking. Enos then had an RBI sacrifice fly, bringing home Grueter. Two more singles by O'Donnell and Doherty brought home a pair of runs. Nichols brought in a new pitcher, who succeeded in slowing down the Bears, allowing them only four more runs. This made the score 11-0 in favor of BSC.

Nichols College scored all five of their runs in the top of the fifth, off of a grand slam home run by Jim Pelligrini. The home run was given up by Bears pitcher Dave Sheehan. Mike Bruemmell replaced Sheehan after that home run. Those five runs, however, would not be enough to win the game. The Bears would go on to score three more runs and claim a 14-5 victory.

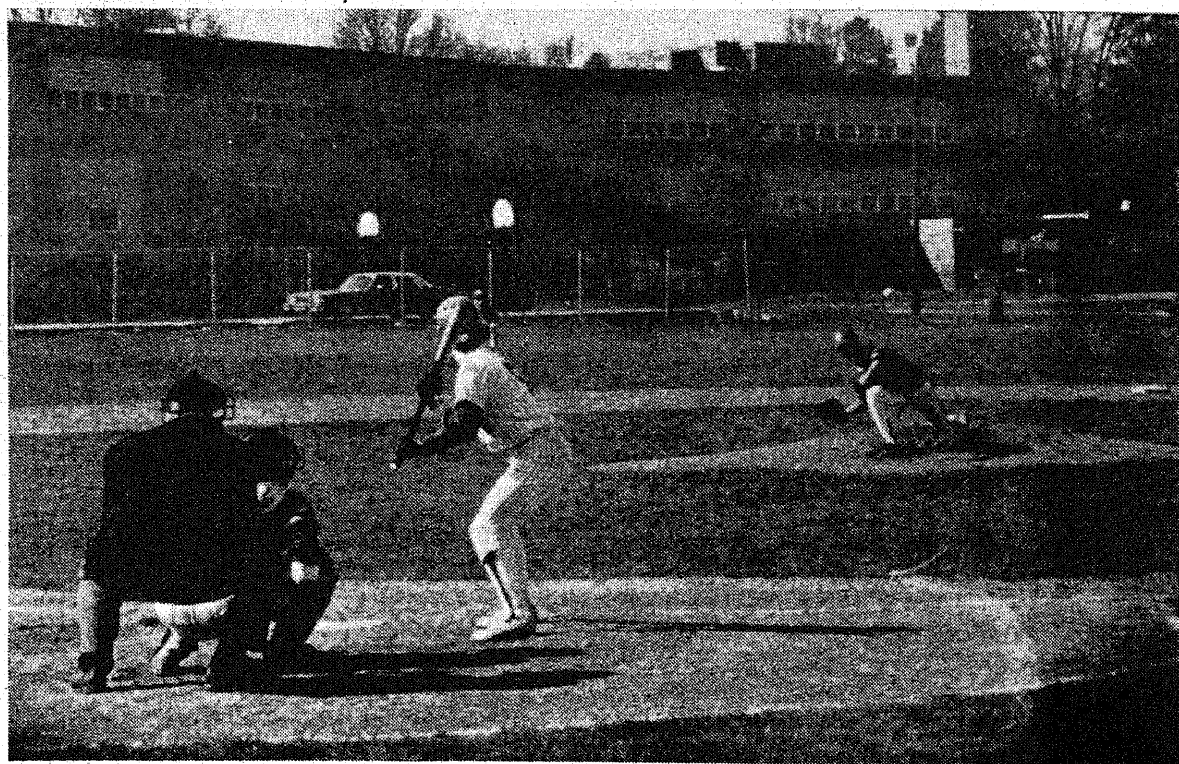
In the second game of the day, the Bears won 7-3, thanks to key pitching by Mike Lookner, who upped his winning record to 6-0. Earlier in the week, he had his fifth win, helping the team to defeat UMass. Lookner went the entire

distance, giving up three runs, four walks, and had five strikeouts.

BSC scored twice in the second inning, thanks to a Tim Plante fielder's choice and a Jim Domitrz single. Brandon then scored his teammates with a single to left.

In the fourth, Grueter singled, followed by a Brandon single, and an Enos double, scoring Grueter. Doherty then singled to right, bringing home Brandon and Enos. This made the score 7-2.

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Bears pitcher Mike Lookner was on the mound this weekend, as he helped his team sweep a two game series from Nichols College. (Staff photo by Bryon Hayes.)